MEDITATIONS ON THE TRUE CHRISTIAN LIFE

...."This book of the law [the Word of God] shall not depart from [always be in] your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful [take heed] to do according to all that is written in it; for THEN you will make your way prosperous, and THEN you will have success"....

Joshua 1:8 NASB

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DEVELOPING THE HUMAN SPIRIT

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* Romans 12:1,2: "I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, well-pleasing to God which is your spiritual worship. "And be not fashioned according to this age: but be ye transformed (or transfigured) by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

How is that transformation going to take place? By the renewing of our minds. How does that come? By meditation in the Word. By practicing the Word, letting the Word rule us.

Colossian 3:10: "And have put on the new man, that is being renewed unto knowledge after the image of him that created him."

Our minds are renewed after the image of Him that created us. That means that the Jesus image is going to be reproduced in us until after a while it will be no more we that live, but Christ living in us.

Galatians 4:19: "Until Christ be formed in you."

It is possible to build the very Jesus life into us with the Word. The Word never becomes a part of our lives until we act it. It is living this Word, having it live in us in our daily life, that counts. Share your heart life with Him, as you would with a lover, a roommate, a husband or wife until you exclaim, "It is no longer I that live, but Christ liveth in me."

Share with Him until the Vine Life becomes consciously your life.

Ephesians 3:19: "And to know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge, that ye may be filled unto all the fullness of God."

God's fullness takes us over, dominates us. His fullness of Love, His fullness of Grace, His fullness of Wisdom, Healing, and Ability has displaced all the weaknesses and failures that exist in our lives.

Jesus has come on the scene to take over the business.

He does it according to the ability. His Ability that is at work within us. We must learn to become God-inside minded, to cultivate a consciousness of His indwelling presence, the presence of the Living One in us.

1 John 4:4: "Ye are of God, my little children."

That is our source. That is our genealogy. That is our comfort and faith builder. Israel had long pages of genealogy dating back to Abraham, but our chronology is brief: "we are of God."

"Greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world."

The God inside is greater than any difficulty or problem outside. We have been fortified within. Here is the source of real strength. It can become a reality to us if we meditate upon it. Sometimes as I have sat meditating it seems as though I could become absolute master of everything, as though there were no longer any impossibilities. "All things are possible to him that believeth" becomes to my spirit a thrilling reality